



## Weekly News

### Did you know...?

#### Tremont's Resident Pirate

Probably the last person you would expect to find in the prairie land of Tremont, Illinois, would be a Danish pirate. But one did live here. His name was Hans Laus Turburg.

In an interview that appeared in the Peoria Journal in 1925, a long-time resident, Josiah Sawyer, spoke about Tremont's pirate. Turburg had come to Illinois to visit his brother and decided to settle in Tremont. Sawyer lived in the house on the north east corner of Tazewell and Harris Streets, which is still standing today. Across the street from the Sawyer house (no indication of the address) was where Turburg lived in a "little steep roof cottage."

Sawyer shared some memories:

"We children were very much afraid of him. I guess he was quite harmless when I knew him. He had married a seamstress and had two little boys. The story is that he was in the Danish navy and did something that wasn't just according to Hoyle. Then he became a pirate. A real pirate. His sea chests are in the Smithsonian Institute at Washington, D.C. today, so the story must be authentic."

"That house of his was built in 1834. Not one of his descendants are living (in 1924). One of his sons was killed in the Civil War."

There are no pictures of Tremont's pirate, and no interview of the man. But thanks to another old man's good memory and a reporter's work back in 1925, we know he existed and lived here. A pirate. In Tremont, Illinois.

~ Tremont Museum and Historical Society

### Variance Hearing

The Village of Tremont Zoning Board will conduct a Variance Hearing at 7:00 pm., Thursday, July 16, 2020 at the Village Hall.

The purpose of this hearing is whether to grant:

A variance to Chapter 404.1 (a) To allow the construction of a detached garage to be 1176 square feet, which is 456 square feet larger than allowed in an R-1a zoning district

A variance to Chapter 1203.4 to allow more than one accessory structure in an R-1a zoning district.

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: PIN # 12-12-19-106-014

Commonly Known As: 417 S. Sampson St. Tremont IL. 61568

PETITIONERS are: Rick Strohl

All parties having an interest in this above matter are to attend said meeting, on the time and date at the location so specified above, to voice their concerns.

Respectfully,

Glen Gulette  
Code Enforcement Officer  
Village of Tremont

## **Tremont Museum Special Fundraising Exhibit**

“Apron Strings and Kitchen Things” is an informative and interesting display of aprons and vintage kitchen items from Tremont residents. Please come and bring a friend!

Admission rates for the exhibit are: Adults, \$10. 2020-21 Members, \$8.00, Children 6-12, \$5.  
We are able to take credit/debit cards as well as cash now.

After the opening on July 25 & 26, the exhibit will be open 2nd and 4th weekends through September and includes the Agricultural Heritage Museum next door. Masks and Social Distancing are advised.



## **Garden Club Meeting**

The Garden Club will meet July 14th - 6:30PM at the Community Center. Social distancing and face protection are encouraged.

## **Public Auction of Real Estate**

Saturday, July 11, 2020 - 10:00 AM  
Elizabeth Mathers Estate  
1.95 Acres - House & Building  
21063 Townline Rd. – Tremont, IL

The sale will be conducted on the premises, in the barn if inclement weather. For details, go to:  
<https://www.auctionzip.com/Listings/3446244.html>

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*\* Suggestions for 'stay-cation' activities.*

### **Monday**

Bring out the balls, jump ropes and buckets and let the creativity go.

### **Tuesday**

Take a hike.

### **Wednesday**

Build your dream home out of Legos.

## Thursday

Do a room refresh.

## Friday

Host a game night.

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### Around Town



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Please send us your news stories and they will be included in upcoming emails. Deadline to include information is Friday, 6:00PM for the following Monday.

We accept information from official Tremont, IL businesses, organizations, and advertisers. We will also post Public Auctions and Open Houses.

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Thank you,

Haas IT Solutions, Inc. on behalf of Tremont Winning Communities

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